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Moſcow, July 28. *N. S.*

PReparations are making at *Pleskow* for the Reception of Ambaſſadors who are ſhortly expected from *Poland*, to renew the Alliances between that Crown and this State. The Czar has ordered the Fortifications of the *Nyen Schans*, which was taken by his Forces in the beginning of this Campaign, to be repaired and augmented, and a new Fort to be built in an Iſland within half a League of that Place, which is ſuppoſed to be very near finiſhed, a conſiderable number of Pioneers having been for ſome time employed in that Work without intermiſſion. They write from thence, that General *Szeremet*, who commands the Czar's Forces in thoſe Parts, having notice that General *Hoorn* was come out of *Nerva* with a ſtrong Detachment of *Swediſh* Troops, he marched out againſt him, and the Forces on both ſides met near the River *Laga*, where there happened a ſharp Engagement between them, in which we are told the *Swedes* were worſted, and retired to *Nerva*.

Warſaw, Sept. 1. The Term of 6 weeks, which, purſuant to the Reſolutions of the late Diet at *Lublin*, was allowed to the Family of *Sapieha*, for making their Submiſſion to the King, is very near expiring; and altho' none of that Family has hitherto performed any Act of that kind, yet his Majeſty has forborn to diſpoſe of the Offices enjoyed by them, upon the the Interceſſion of their Friends, in hopes they will make uſe of this Indulgence to regain his Favour. The Negociation for ſetting on foot a Treaty of Peace between the King of *Sweden* and this Crown is continued, and the Cardinal Primate, and other Commiſſioners appointed to tranſact this Affair on the part of the Republick, have, in order to it, drawn up ſome Propoſals in Writing, which it is ſaid were tranſmitted this day to that King's Miniſters. The *Saxon* Forces and thoſe of *Lithuania* are marching towards the *Greater Poland*, as well to oppoſe the Excurſions of the *Swediſh* Forces under General *Reinſchild*, as to keep in awe ſuch of the Nobility of that Province who have lately entred into a Confederacy among themſelves, whereof we do not know the Conditions. They have ſent ſome Deputies hither, who give all poſſible Aſſurances to the Cardinal Primate, and the other Senators in Town, of their Loyalty to the King, and their Zeal for the Intereſt of the Republick; and this they deſire them to repreſent to his Majeſty.

Dantzick, September 9. The Deputies which our Magiſtrates had ſent to the King of *Sweden*, to deſire ſome Abatement of the 100000 Crowns demanded of this City by way of Contribution by General *Steinboch*, are returned without any Succeſs, and the General has ſummoned the City a ſecond time to pay this Sum, without any farther delay. Part of the *Swediſh* Forces, and moſt of the Artillery, which were lately ſet on Shore near *Oliva*, are marched to their Camp before *Thoorn*, and it is ſaid they will ſhortly lay Siege to that Place in form.

From the Imperial Camp near Augsbourg, *September* 10. Prince *Lewis* having reſolved to paſs the *Danube* with the beſt part of the Army under his Command, which lay encamped near *Hanſheim*, and to advance towards *Bavaria*, in order to draw the Marſhal *de Villars* out of his Intrenchments at *Lawingen*; his Highneſs accordingly, leaving the Count *de Stirum* in that Camp with the reſt of his Forces, to obſerve the *French* Army, broke up the 23d paſt, and marched that night to *Hirbe*. The next day he came to *Weſterſted*, where having reſted two days, he continued his March the 27th to *Sieſhern*, near *Blaubeyern*, and arrived the 28th at *Ehingen*, where the Count *de la Tour* joined him with the Body of Forces under his Command. The 30th he decamped from thence, paſſed the *Danube* at *Tettingen*, and marched to *Bibrach*, and the next day to *Mettenberg*. Orders were given that we ſhould continue our March the 2d Inſtant, in order to paſs over the River *Iller*, wherein we expected to meet with ſome Difficulty, the Enemy having near that River a Body of 6000 Men, who had been lately joined by 5 Battalions out of *Ulm*, and, as we had Notice that day, would be reinforced by a Detachment of 5000 more, from the *French* Camp at *Lawingen*. However we paſſed the River at *Tirthofen* without any Oppoſition, or ſo much as ſeing an Enemy, and lay that night at *Volckartſhoffen*, within a League of *Memmingen*. The Gariſon of this Place had lately been conſiderably reinforced, and his Highneſs reſolved not to loſe time in attacking it, but to continue his March directly to *Augsbourg*, which proved a very great Service